

WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

1. A method of producing a multimedia media, comprising the steps of :
 - (a) using a software program at a first location to arrange a plurality of digital images to produce a multimedia composition;
 - (b) using the software at the first location to encode the multimedia composition to produce a digital bit-stream;
 - (c) accessing the digital bit-stream at the first location to view the digital bit-stream;
 - (d) generating an order request to create the multimedia media comprised of the digital bit-stream;
 - (e) transmitting the bit-stream to a second location remote from the first location; and
 - (f) fulfilling the order request.
2. The method of Claim 1, further comprising the steps of:
 - using the software program at the first location to arrange a second plurality of digital images to produce a second multimedia composition;
 - using the software program at the first location to encode the second multimedia composition to produce a second digital bit-stream; and
 - transmitting the order request to the service provider to create the multimedia media comprised of the digital bit-stream and the second digital bit-stream.
3. The method of Claim 1, further comprising the step of, prior to transmitting the order request, using the software program to modifying the arrangement of the plurality of digital images.
4. The method of Claim 1, further comprising the step of, prior to fulfilling the order request, providing payment for the multimedia media.

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5. The method of Claim 4, wherein payment is provided by providing a credit card number.

6. The method of Claim 1, further comprising the step of using the software program at the first location to include audio material with the plurality of digital images to produce the multimedia composition.

7. The method of Claim 1, further comprising the step of using the software program at the first location to include textual information with the plurality of digital images to produce the multimedia composition.

8. The method of Claim 1, wherein the digital bit-stream is low resolution.

9. The method of Claim 1, further comprising the step of transmitting an electronic message indicative of the fulfillment of the order request.

10. The method of Claim 1, further comprising the steps of: generating an order request; and transmitting an electronic message indicative of the generation and transmission of the order request.

11. A method of producing a multimedia media, comprising the steps of :

- (a) a user using a software program at a first location to arrange a plurality of digital images to produce a multimedia composition;
- (b) the user transmitting the multimedia composition to a service provider located at a second location remote from the first location;

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- (c) the service provider encoding the multimedia composition to produce a digital bit-stream;
- (d) the service provider transmitting the digital bit-stream to the user at the first location;
- (e) the user accessing the digital bit-stream at the first location to view the digital bit-stream;
- (f) the user generating an order request to create the multimedia media comprised of the digital bit-stream; and
- (g) transmitting the order request to the service provider for fulfillment of the order request.

12. The method of Claim 11, further comprising the steps of: using the software program at the first location to arrange a second plurality of digital images to produce a second multimedia composition;

the user transmitting the second multimedia composition to the service provider; and

the service provider producing the digital bit-stream by encoding the second multimedia composition.

13. The method of Claim 11, further comprising the step of, prior to transmitting the order request, using the software program to modifying the arrangement of the plurality of digital images.

14. The method of Claim 11, further comprising the step of, prior to fulfilling the order request, providing payment for the multimedia media.

15. The method of Claim 14, wherein payment is provided by providing a credit card number.

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16. The method of Claim 11, further comprising the step of using the software program at the first location to include audio material with the plurality of digital images to produce the multimedia composition.

17. The method of Claim 11, further comprising the step of using the software program at the first location to include textual information with the plurality of digital images to produce the multimedia composition.

18. The method of Claim 11, wherein the digital bit-stream is low resolution.

19. The method of Claim 1, further comprising the step of transmitting an electronic message indicative of the fulfillment of the order request.

20. The method of Claim 11, further comprising the steps of:
generating an order request; and
transmitting an electronic message indicative of the generation and transmission of the order request.

21. A method of producing a multimedia media, comprising the steps of :

- (a) providing a software program at a first location for arranging a plurality of digital images to produce a multimedia composition;
- (b) transmitting the multimedia composition to a second location remote from the first location;
- (c) encoding the multimedia composition at the second location to produce a digital bit-stream;
- (d) transmitting the digital bit-stream to the first location;

(e) accessing the digital bit-stream at the first location to view the digital bit-stream;

(f) generating an order request to create the multimedia media comprised of the digital bit-stream, and

(g) transmitting the order request.

22. A method of producing a multimedia media, comprising the steps of:

(a) a user located at a first location accessing a thumbnail version of each of a plurality of digital images located at a second location remote from the first location;

(b) the user using a software program at the first location to arrange at least one of the plurality of digital images to produce a multimedia composition script;

(c) the user transmitting the multimedia composition script to a service provider located at the second location;

(d) the service provider encoding the at least one of the plurality of digital images in accordance with the script to produce a digital bit-stream;

(e) transmitting the digital bit-stream to the user at the first location;

(f) the user accessing the digital bit-stream at the first location to view the digital bit-stream;

(g) the user generating an order request to create the multimedia media comprised of the digital bit-stream; and

(h) transmitting the order request to the service provider for fulfillment of the order request.

23 The method of Claim 22, further comprising the steps of:

using the software program at the first location to arrange at least one of a second plurality of digital images to produce a second multimedia composition script;

the user transmitting the second multimedia composition script to the service provider; and

encoding the at least one of the second plurality of digital images in accordance with the second multimedia composition script to produce a second digital bit-stream.

24. The method of Claim 22, further comprising the step of, prior to transmitting the order request, using the software program to modifying the arrangement of the plurality of digital images.

25. The method of Claim 22, further comprising the step of, prior to fulfilling the order request, providing payment for the multimedia media.

26. The method of Claim 25, wherein payment is provided by providing a credit card number.

27. The method of Claim 22, further comprising the step of using the software program at the first location to include audio material with the at least one of the plurality of digital images to produce the multimedia composition script.

28. The method of Claim 22, further comprising the step of using the software program at the first location to include textual information with the at least one of the plurality of digital images to produce the multimedia composition script.

29. The method of Claim 22, wherein the digital bit-stream is low resolution.

30. The method of Claim 22, further comprising the step of transmitting an electronic message indicative of the fulfillment of the order request.

31. The method of Claim 22, further comprising the steps of:
generating an order request; and
transmitting an electronic message indicative of the generation and transmission of the order request.

32. A method of producing a multimedia media, comprising the steps of :

- (a) at a first location, accessing a thumbnail version of each of a plurality of digital images located at a second location;
- (b) using a software program at the first location to arrange at least one of the plurality of digital images to produce a multimedia composition script;
- (c) transmitting the multimedia composition script to the second location;
- (d) encoding the at least one of the plurality of digital images at the second location in accordance with the script to produce a digital bit-stream;
- (e) transmitting the digital bit-stream to the first location;
- (f) accessing the digital bit-stream at the first location to view the digital bit-stream;
- (g) generating an order request to create the multimedia media comprised of the digital bit-stream; and
- (h) transmitting the order request to the second location.

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33. A method of producing a multimedia media, comprising the steps of :

(a) providing a service provider with a undeveloped exposed film roll at a remote site for development to produce a plurality of digital images;

(b) a user located at a first location using a software program to arrange a thumbnail version of at least one of the plurality of digital images located at a second location remote from the first location to produce a multimedia composition script;

(c) the user transmitting the multimedia composition script to a service provider located at the second location;

(d) the service provider encoding the at least one of the digital images in accordance with the script to produce a digital bit-stream;

(e) transmitting the digital bit-stream to the user at the first location;

(f) the user accessing the digital bit-stream at the first location to view the digital bit-stream;

(g) the user generating an order request to create the multimedia media comprised of the digital bit-stream; and

(h) transmitting the order request to the service provider for fulfillment of the order request.

34. The method of Claim 33, further comprising the steps of:
using the software program at the first location to arrange at least one of a second plurality of digital images to produce a second multimedia composition script;

the user transmitting the second multimedia composition script to the service provider; and

encoding the at least one of the second plurality of digital images in accordance with the second multimedia composition script to produce a second digital bit-stream.

35. The method of Claim 33, further comprising the step of, prior to transmitting the order request, using the software program to modifying the arrangement of the plurality of digital images.

36. The method of Claim 33, further comprising the step of, prior to fulfilling the order request, providing payment for the multimedia media.

37. The method of Claim 36, wherein payment is provided by providing a credit card number.

38. The method of Claim 33, further comprising the step of using the software program at the first location to include audio material with the at least one of the plurality of digital images to produce the multimedia composition script.

39. The method of Claim 33, further comprising the step of using the software program at the first location to include textual information with the at least one of the plurality of digital images to produce the multimedia composition script.

40. The method of Claim 33, wherein the digital bit-stream is low resolution.

41. The method of Claim 33, further comprising the step of transmitting an electronic message indicative of the fulfillment of the order request.

42. The method of Claim 33, further comprising the steps of: generating an order request; and

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transmitting an electronic message indicative of the generation and transmission of the order request.

43. A method of producing a multimedia media, comprising the steps of :

(a) at a first location, accessing a thumbnail version of at least one of a plurality of digital images located at a second location remote from the first location;

(b) using a software program at the first location to arrange the at least one of the plurality of digital images to produce a multimedia composition script;

(c) transmitting the at least one of the plurality of digital images to the first location;

(d) encoding the at least one of the plurality of digital images at the first location in accordance with the script to produce a digital bit-stream;

(e) the user accessing the digital bit-stream at the first location to view the digital bit-stream;

(f) the user generating an order request to create the multimedia media comprised of the digital bit-stream;

(g) transmitting the order request to a service provider located a location remote from the first location; and

(h) transmitting the digital bit-stream to the service provider at the first location for fulfillment of the order request.

44. The method of Claim 43, further comprising the steps of:

using the software program at the first location to arrange at least one of a second plurality of digital images to produce a second multimedia composition script;

the user transmitting the second multimedia composition script to the service provider; and

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encoding the at least one of the second plurality of digital images in accordance with the second multimedia composition script to produce a second digital bit-stream.

45. The method of Claim 43, further comprising the step of, prior to transmitting the order request, using the software program to modifying the arrangement of the plurality of digital images.

46. The method of Claim 43, further comprising the step of, prior to fulfilling the order request, providing payment for the multimedia media.

47. The method of Claim 46, wherein payment is provided by providing a credit card number.

48. The method of Claim 43, further comprising the step of using the software program at the first location to include audio material with the at least one of the plurality of digital images to produce the multimedia composition script.

49. The method of Claim 43, further comprising the step of using the software program at the first location to include textual information with the at least one of the plurality of digital images to produce the multimedia composition script.

50. The method of Claim 43, wherein the digital bit-stream is low resolution.

51. The method of Claim 43, further comprising the step of transmitting an electronic message indicative of the fulfillment of the order request.

52 The method of Claim 43, further comprising the steps of:
generating an order request; and
transmitting an electronic message indicative of the generation and
transmission of the order request.

53. A computer storage product having at least one computer
storage media having instructions stored therein causing one or more computers to
perform the method of Claim 1.